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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for National Foreign Assessment
THROUGH: Chairman, National Intelligence Council
FROM: National Intelligence Officer for Strategic Programs
SUBJECT: NFIB

We are on the edge of getting a new DCI, we ought to capitalize on this event by trying to persuade the new man to tidy up some of the messes left behind by the present incumbent and/or his predecessors. One such mess is the NFIB. By my count, there are nineteen people who are entitled to sit at the NFIB table for every meeting, whereas for any given piece of business it is unlikely that any more than 6 to 8 of the participants have anything at all to contribute. It may be that cropping the membership would still not convert it from being a comitose body to a real committee, but it would at least shorten the meetings and reduce the workload in the Secretariat and on the horse-holders for the NFIB principals. There are no doubt other Augean stables that could do with some cleaning. Maybe someone ought to form up a group to come up with a list of clean-up projects.

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David - As Dick notes, the matter has been raised. I suspect some will result —

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